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Serial No. 09/638,858

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reexamination of the captioned application is respectfully requested.

A. SUMMARY OF THIS AMENDMENT

By the current amendment, Applicant basically:

1. Cancels claims 1 – 6 and 13 – 15 without prejudice or disclaimer.
2. Amend claims 7 – 12 and 16 – 18.
3. Respectfully traverse all prior art rejections.

B. PATENTABILITY OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,834,191 to Wallentin et al. All prior art rejections are respectfully traversed for at least the following reasons.

The pending claims deal with criteria for which other radio network controllers to store addresses for signaling a **routing area update request** message in response to a routing area update procedure initiated by a user equipment unit. By contrast, U.S. Patent 6,834,191 to Wallentin et al. deals with **paging** in a multicell area.

There are passages in Wallentin which briefly refer in incidental way to routing area updates, but Wallentin does not describe such routing area updates or how the RNCs performing any signaling or address storage with respect thereto. Note, for example, the passage referenced in the Office Action wherein Wallentin merely states that "mobile station MS has previously sent a location update or comparable message to the core network" (col. 11, line 20 – 22). No RNC signaling or address storage is described by Wallentin in conjunction with the location update. Consequently, U.S. Patent 6,834,191 to Wallentin et al. does not teach or suggest the claimed subject matter.

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C. MISCELLANEOUS

In view of the foregoing and other considerations, all claims are deemed in condition for allowance. A formal indication of allowability is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the undersigned's deposit account #14-1140 in whatever amount is necessary for entry of these papers and the continued pendency of the captioned application.

Should the Examiner feel that an interview with the undersigned would facilitate allowance of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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